Judicial Administration

## **COURTHOUSE SECURITY**

# Funding history at a glance:

FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	Increase	%
Actual	Actual	Actual	Budgeted	Recommended	(Decrease)	Change
\$20,594	\$14,073	\$47,518	\$239,975	\$237,156	(\$2,819)	(1.17)

### Includes:

- 1. Supervisory position to oversee Courthouse security
- 2. Two part-time civilian employees to work the security checkpoint at all times that the Courthouse is open;
- 3. Metal detector and x-ray machine
- 4. Checkpoint and turnstiles
- 5. Courthouse entrance modifications
- 6. Entry door modifications
- 7. Intrusion detection system and off-site monitoring
- 8. Security fencing

#### NOTES:

1. Courthouse security fees are assessed on each traffic and criminal case and held in the General Fund – they are specifically earmarked for Courthouse security and may not be used for anything else. Of the unappropriated General Fund balance, Courthouse Security Fees account for approximately \$630,356. This is the revenue stream for the equipment purchases and ongoing personnel costs described above. We generally collect between \$115,000 to \$125,000 annually.

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2011-2012	CURRENT	SALARY				29,843
RANGE	HIGH	2013				46,257
SALARY	LOW	2012-				29,843
		GRADE				21
YEARS	OF	SERVICE	**	as of 9/1/12		N/A
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		POSITION			COURTHOUSE SECURITY	DEPUTY SHERIFF/COURT SECURITY
		NAME				VACANT

\*\* To calculate years of service, employee must be employed prior to September of any year.

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### COURTHOUSE SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS

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The Southampton County Courthouse is the only courthouse in a 50 mile radius that has not received security improvements. In September of 2008 Moseley Architects identified a number of security improvements.

I feel it is time to revisit these proposed improvements. I am suggesting that the improvements be divided into two phases. The first phase would involve the security for the building. Phase two would be secure parking and entrance for the Judges.

Phase one would establish a <u>single security checkpoint</u> for all persons entering the building. This checkpoint would be operational when ever the building would be open. The checkpoint would include a duty station, metal detector, x-ray machine, standard exist turnstile and wheelchair accessible turnstile. All other points of ingress would be secured, allowing only emergency egress. Additionally, this phase should include a closed circuit camera system, intrusion detection system, and card based access system.

The checkpoint would require staffing by two individuals and the monitoring of the security system would be done by the communications center.

I have identified a source of revenue for staffing and security equipment, which would be courthouse security fee funds. These funds are restricted funds and cannot be used for structural improvements to the building.

The staffing can be accomplished by part-time civilian personnel under supervision of the bailiff. The annual cost for staffing is estimated at \$56,000.00.

The estimated cost of the x-ray machine and metal detector would be \$75,000.00.

As of December 31, 2010, the courthouse security fee fund balance is \$547,933.00. 630,355.66

The security improvement to the building, camera system, intrusion detection system and card based access is estimated cost of \$275,000.00.

While I realize that these are extremely difficult economic times, one single active shooting incident will far exceed these cost.

PHASE ONE

Phase One would cover the lobby checkpoint to offer limited separation of ingress and egress -

a duty station for two (2) security staff

annual cost

\$ 56,000

metal detector and x-ray machine

\$ 32,000

standard exit turnstile and wheelchair accessible

turnstile

\$ 20,000

expand outer and enter exiting covered colonnade to accommodate

checkpoint

\$ 35,000

Phase one would include new screen fencing approximately six feet high and gate constructed at the courtyard area adjacent to the Circuit Court Clerk's Office - \$2,000

Phase one would include equipping the six (6) single entrance exterior doors and two (2) double entrance exterior doors with panic bar emergency release and local alarms \$ 5,100 @ \$425.00 -

Phase one would contract with a commercial alarm company to provide an intrusion detector system for the building -\$ 12,000

Phase one would include the replacement of the existing inoperable intercom system -\$ 2,000

Phase one would continue to use the present key system and panic/distress button system

Phase One estimated total \$ 164,100.00

Phase two would move into the closed circuit tv system, a permanent intrusion detector/fire alarm system and electronic security systems.

Phase three would address secure parking and entrance for the judges.

## Sec. 1-13.1. Assessment for the funding of courthouse security personnel.

It is hereby assessed the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) costs in each and every criminal and traffic case in which the defendant is convicted in the Southampton County General District Court, the Southampton County Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court, and the Circuit Court of Southampton County, Virginia, which shall be collected by the clerk of the court in which the case is heard and remitted to the Treasurer of the County of Southampton to be held by said treasurer subject to appropriation by the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County for the funding of courthouse security personnel.

The assessment provided for herein shall be in addition to any other fees prescribed by law. (Ord. of 5-28-02(1); Ord. of 4-23-07)